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CONSUMPTION.

A Change in the Popular Belief Regarding its Curability.

The popular belief in the incurability of consumption, says the New York Times, now seems to be on the road to complete overthrow. This change in sentiment has not been brought about by any new method of treatment, nor has there been any perceptible enlargement in the number of those now living who can claim that they have had and have recovered from this disease; but the evidence upon which the revision is based is even more conclusive than that which could by any possibility be obtained from any of these two sources. It is simply this, that post-mortem examinations have revealed the fact that pulmonary phthisis is a complaint of much greater frequency than has been commonly supposed, and that multitudes of people have had the disease, and have been practically cured of it, who have never so much as suspected the cause of their illness. In a series of examinations, made some time since at the hospital at Edinburgh, it was found that the lungs of not less than one-third of those who died when over 40 years of age were in a condition that could be accounted for in no other way than by the supposition that at some period in their lives consumption had existed, and afterward been checked or cured. Portions of the lungs had been destroyed, but the cavities formed had been healed by contraction and adhesion of their walls, or the disintegrated substance had been shut in by the formation of fibrous tissue. In a number of post-mortem examinations at the Salpêtrière Hospital at Paris, a similar experience is found, except that in this case the age is advanced to 60 years and over, and of this class more than one-half were shown to have suffered from consumption at some period of their lives. There may be nothing new in this to well-informed medical men, but to the non-professional reader this information cannot fail to be reassuring. The disease is to a great extent hereditary, and there are probably thousands of people in this city who every now and then are visited by the sad thought that they are liable at any time to fall victims to the deadly inheritance. If these can be made to believe that they have already passed through the ordeal, a supposition which, in the majority of cases, would probably be a true one, no slight addition will be made to the sum total of human happiness.

Washington's Pew.

Christ church in Alexandria, Virginia, some six miles below Washington, is an object of much interest. It was completed in 1773, taking the place of a chapel that could not have possessed much elegance, as it sold for \$10.

The year prior to leaving the chapel Colonel George Washington, then thirty-three years of age, was chosen one of its vestrymen. His name is affixed to the contract for the new church, which, for minuteness of specification, would serve as a model for modern building committees.

James Parsons agreed to build the church for \$500. "The shingles were to be of the best Juniper, 3/4 of an inch thick, 18 inches long, and to show six inches." The mortar for the outside walls, which were of brick, was to be 3/4 lime and 1/4 sand; the mortar for the inside wall was to be 1/2 lime and 1/2 sand. "The arches and pediments to be in the Tuscan order. The altarpiece, pulpit, and canopy to be Ionic." But it appears that contractors even in those early days had some of the failings of modern times. James Parsons failed to fulfill his contract, and the vestry made an agreement with Colonel John Carlyle for the additional sum of \$230 to complete the work. On the 27th of February, 1773, the church having been formally delivered to the vestry, ten of the pews were offered for sale.

Pew No. 5 was purchased by General Washington for \$36, 10s, the highest price paid.

These pews were square, with seats on three sides, and the back nearly as high as the head of the occupant. But in 1816 and 1817, some of the old square pews were divided, and the remainder in 1821, Washington's among the rest, but in 1827 it was restored to its former shape. It was again divided, but soon restored to its original form, and so still remains. During the war, the city being in possession of the Union troops, the "stars and stripes" floated over this pew.

In 1891, George Parke Custis, Mrs. Washington's grandson, who General Washington's Bible, presented to the parish Washington's Bible, presented in 1773, and now in use on the altar.

The building has been little by little remodeled, to suit modern tastes.

The old pew of Washington is allowed to retain its original shape, except the back as lowered like a rest. Visitors to Washington go in large numbers to attend Sunday morning service at Christ Church, and sit in the pew where Washington worshipped.

Changes of Fortune.

The capacity to get money is different from the capacity to retain money. This well-known fact is illustrated by the following characteristic incident.

A man named McNulty died recently in California, who had been rich and poor, it is said, at least twenty times, dying poor at last. He had been very shrewd and enterprising, but somehow he could not keep a fortune after he had acquired it.

An example of his sudden conception and execution is mentioned at Sacramento twenty-five years ago, when the entire business part of the town was burned. He was then wealthy, and owned many of the largest stores there. As he saw his property vanishing in flames, instead of grieving over the disaster, he went to the nearest livery stable, hired a fast horse, mounted him, rode him all night, and before nine o'clock the next morning had bought enough of lumber and every saw mill at Grass Valley and Nevada City. He gained another fortune, making four times as much as he had lost, by the sale of his lumber so suddenly contracted for. It was eminently like an American to ride off by the blaze of his burning houses into the night, and turn his calamity literally into cash.

Willings to be Obliging.

An Eastern paper tells this story: "Year ago the Boston and Albany railroad made a rule that passengers should not ride on tickets intended to be used in the opposite direction from that in which the tickets were journeying. One day the conductor came to a well-dressed, middle-aged lady, just after leaving Worcester on the western-bound express, who handed him a ticket from Palmer to Worcester. He protested that, although very sorry, the rules of the company wouldn't allow him to take that ticket for a moment. The lady said that she had bought it in good faith, but had never before had an opportunity to use it, and intimated, with studied politeness, that all such regulations were senseless. And finally she remarked: 'I am willing to ride backward all the way, if that will be any comfort to you.' He took the ticket."

Anecdote of Ben Wade.

Ben Wade was the most original presiding officer in the United States Senate. It is related that one warm spring day, when he occupied the chair and his colleague was absent, dinner time drew nigh, and he wanted to leave. Garrett Davis, of Kentucky, had the floor, and at last Mr. Wade

could stand it no longer. Giving a rap with his gavel, he said: "The Senator from Kentucky will suspend his remarks for a moment. The Senator from Ohio moves that the Senate do now adjourn. Those in favor will say aye—contrary minded, no—and the Senate stands adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock." The presiding officer was the only senator from Ohio present, and he not only put his own motion, but cast the only vote on it and then announced the result.—New York Evening Post.

An Avowal of the Revolution.

Mrs. Drake, a widow of Mullenburg county, Kentucky, has in her possession an apple which has been in existence since the beginning of the Revolutionary War. The soldier, Mr. Drake, received the apple from his betrothed just as he departed for the army of Washington; kept it during the whole war; returned after the surrender of Yorktown and married the fair donor. The apple is sacredly preserved in the family. It is dry and shriveled, nothing remaining but the woody fibre. The heirloom is highly prized by every member of the family.

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HOLIDAY ADVERTISERS.

During the balance of this month we will insert reading business notices, in the brief item column.

BRIEFLETS.

—Bundle up.
—A few cases of measles.
—The church folks meet for prayer to-night.

—The turkey gobblers were gobbled yesterday.

—Hon. R. Tuthill, City Attorney of Chicago, is in the city on a visit.

—Will Palmer left for Chicago this afternoon, to resume his medical studies there.

—It will be hard work for some to break off the habit of going to hear the Mack trial.

—The Christmas dinner served at the Myers house yesterday was the finest ever seen in this city.

—It will soon be time to "swear off" and commence keeping a diary. Neither disease is very prolonged in its nature the turn coming in a week or so after the attack.

—Dr. King, of the State Insane Asylum, of Madison, spent Christmas in the city, and this afternoon left for his professional duties again. He was warmly greeted by his many Janesville friends.

—None should forget the Temple of Honor anniversary to-morrow night. The Temple will meet at 7 o'clock sharp, and the doors will be thrown open for the public at 7:30 o'clock. It will be a joyous occasion. Let there be a crowd.

—Another secret society is about to lodge in Janesville, it being a chapter of the Royal Arcanum, which will be organized to-night. In some respects it is similar to the Knights of Honor and United Workmen, the chief object being mutual life insurance.

—Mrs. R. W. Burton gave the little folks living in the neighborhood of her residence, a joyous send-off Christmas morning by spreading for them a bounteous breakfast, and making them happy by a Christmas tree. The idea was a novel one and the plan was successfully carried to a happy completion.

—Prof. Emil Franklin, the eminent Shakespearean impersonator, of New York, is making a short visit to the city, and doubtless will be called upon by the literati of Janesville, to give one of his recitations in a few days. His repertory embraces twelve leading plays. We hope he will be persuaded to give the people a literary treat.

—No more trotting across the bridges. The City Fathers have instructed Marshal Keating to strictly enforce the ordinance, and it matters little whether it is a pair of sea skin mittens that holds the reins, or a pair of ragged woolen ones. The Marshal says he will be no respecter of persons, and rich and poor must walk their horses across the bridge.

—Mr. John Watson went to Chicago to-day with his gang of men, to do an important piece of masonry work for the Chicago and Northwestern Company. He has been engaged to put in a foundation for a pivot pier for a draw bridge, near the Wells and Kinzie street depot. The contract is a heavy one, and that Mr. Watson should be selected as the person to do it without any solicitation on his part, is exceedingly flattering to him.

—Do not forget the Temple of Honor festival on Friday (to-morrow) evening. Their entertainments are of the highest order, and this third annual will be no exception. The Temple is still doing a noble work and deserves the patronage of all good citizens. After the speaking, singing and other exercises are through, a social dance will be in order. Berrie's Quadrille Band as now organized, is admitted to be one of the finest in the State for dancing. Get your tickets.

—Prentice & Evenson have put in the front window of their drug store one of the most nobby and novel of signs, the letters of which seem to be ever on the dance, and in the evening particularly they flash backward and forward with a light which awakens wonderment in the mind of every passer-by. The secret of the new sign is the electricity which furnishes the motor power for the little silver disks which make up the letters. It is really a curiosity and should be inspected. Prentice & Evenson are "lightning" good druggists, and are full of enterprise.

—It was a sad Christmas day for Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Reichwald, for yesterday morning their little babe only ten months old was suddenly called to spend its first Christmas in the better world. The little one was ailing some the day before, but the fond parents saw no cause for alarm until yesterday morning, when the child became so much more ill that medical aid was hurriedly sent for. It came too late, for already the angel had called. The blow was as sad as it was sudden, and has called forth the most heartfelt sympathy for those who have been so unexpectedly bereaved.

THE RUINED CASTLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Marbecker, who have been lying in jail for some weeks, under a charge of keeping a house of ill-fame, familiarly known as "the castle," were tried this morning in the Circuit Court and were promptly found guilty. Sentence has not yet been passed upon them.

KICKED BY A HORSE.

On Christmas eve William Scott, a young man aged about seventeen, and living in LaPrairie, was leading two horses from the barn to water, when the animals became playful and then fractious, and one of them whirling about kicked him in the face knocking him senseless. The hoof struck him near the upper part of the nose crushing in the bones, and making an ugly wound. Dr. Palmer was immediately summoned and attended to the injuries. The young man will probably pull through all right but will have a scar to remind him of his Christmas.

CHRISTMAS CHIMES.

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CHRISTMAS AT CHRIST CHURCH.

Christ church was beautifully dressed with emblematic green. Near the entrance was a large arch of evergreen surmounted by a cross. The windows and side posts supporting the roof were appropriately decorated. Across the front of the chancel extended a "rood screen" supporting several "roods," or crosses of gilt, and giving a very fine effect to the exterior of the chancel. Within, the altar was dressed, as is usual on high festivals, in white. On the re-table stood the very handsome cross given the church by the Sunday school some time since. The dosel cloth back of the altar bore the text, in glittering white letters, "Emmanuel, God with us."

A special feature of the decorations was a new font cover—a skeleton frame, filled with evergreen, octagon at the base, terminating at a point three feet in height, in a cross filled with natural flowers. The musical portion of the service, under the direction of Dr. M. A. Newman, was rendered with that high order of artistic merit, usual in this church on high festivals and consisted of the following:

Opening—Glory to God in the Highest—Bitter Te Deum, in E-flat—Bach's Mass—Bach's Jubilate in C—White Shepherd's Watched their Flocks—Lullaby—Mozart's Offertory—Naxos—Gounod.

Miss Jennie Stevens presided at the organ. The congregation was delighted to see in the choir and hear the voices of some of its old members. Mrs. Hayden, of Milwaukee, took part in the service of song, rendering the offertory and Gounod's "Naxos" in a manner fully sustaining her reputation as a singer of high rank in the West. Mr. Wingate rendered the bass solo in the Te Deum in a manner which could not be surpassed.

The rectr preached from the text "What Mean Ye by this Service?" He gave a glowing picture of the Feast of Tabernacles under the Jewish dispensation and showed how it had been perpetuated in the Christian church in celebrations like the present.

About one hundred and fifty children were made very happy by their presents, and candles by the Christmas tree at Christ church Christmas eve.

COURT STREET CHURCH ENTERTAINMENT.

On Christmas eve there was a goodly gathering at Court Street Methodist church. Two Christmas trees were arranged with a beautiful arch, reaching from one to another, while the bright star of Bethlehem beamed from above this. An interesting programme was opened by singing by the Sunday school children. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Faville, offered an appropriate prayer. Mr. Clarence Clark gave a very pleasing salutory. Frank Finsterbach sang a bass solo, which proved very acceptable. Master Freddy Vantoy sang a comic ballad which called forth great laughter and cheers. Miss Ida Thompson gave a fine recitation, as did also Master Norrie Phelps. Miss Lizzie Binn's class gave a sweet song and Mrs. Faville's infant class sang "The Night of Wonders." Miss Cora Ellison recited a choice selection. The programme closed with a colloquy and song in three parts, in which Mr. Clarence Clark, Miss Martha Wiley, Miss Estella Griswold, and Miss Ada Holdridge participated, assisted by six little fairies. It was a most pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment. The presents were then distributed, and the little ones went home with light hearts and full pockets.

AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

The usual Christmas services were held at this church, there being an early mass, one at 8 o'clock, and high mass at 10:30 o'clock, together with an appropriate sermon by the pastor.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

At this church Christmas day was observed by the masses, as already announced. Father Doyle preached an excellent sermon from the Gospel of the day, concerning the birth of Christ. The music was of a special nature, rendered by the regular members of the choir, with Miss Ada Pond presiding at the organ.

AT THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH.

Christmas eve was observed at the Jackson street Methodist church by a song service and scriptural readings, and distribution of presents, in accordance with a plan suggested in the Northwestern Christian Advocate, which is the Methodist organ of the west. In this service Mrs. Sellick's infant class, and the Sunday School classes of Miss Henderson, and Mrs. Tracey rendered choruses. Miss Gertrude Kellogg gave a recitation as did also Mr. O'Brien, both of whom were greeted with applause. The pastor gave a short address on the different names of Christ, which was very appropriate, as among the church decorations were all the different names placed on the walls in evergreen letters. A missionary collection was taken up amounting to \$8, and the gifts from two trees were then distributed, the presents being so numerous that an hour was spent in distributing them. The gathering was a happy one and was most successful in all respects. Much of the credit for the same is due to Mr. G. F. Lane, the efficient Superintendent of the Sunday School, who had complete charge of the arrangements for the entertainment.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

On Tuesday evening the little folks and the big ones too, of this society were happily by a Christmas entertainment and tree at the church, which was one of the pleasantest occurrences attending the holidays.

THE CONGREGATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT.

Last evening Lappin's hall was packed almost to overflowing at the entertainment given by the Congregational society. A happy programme was provided. Six young men sang most successfully "Johnny Schmoker." Rev. Mr. Sawin read a selection, as did also Miss DeLong. A recitation in costume showing the "Matrimonial Sweets" was given by Miss Fannie Lynn and Mr.

Charlie Clark. A charade entitled "Antidote" was well acted by Miss Belle Cassaday, Miss Bertha Sayles, Mr. Sam Lightbody, Mr. Isaac, and Miss Whittington. It was enthusiastically received. Mr. Isaac gave a comic song which brought down the house. The scenes were then shifted, bringing to view an evergreen arch about ten feet high, under which was hung a chime of Christmas, bell and behind which stood four in great beauty a Christmas tree from which hung horns of plenty, bright colored and well filled to gladden the little folks. Charlie Wingate took the role of Santa Claus and distributed the gifts in a happy manner, his costume being highly pleasing to the little folk.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Special services held at this church yesterday. The church was most beautifully decorated with festoons of evergreens, and with various floral symbols such as crosses and crowns, and stars. The celebration for the little folks will be held next Saturday evening, it being Holy Innocent's day. There will be a children's service and various attractions on that evening.

TO THE MEMORY OF MRS. JOHN WINANS.

In the Circuit Court to-day Hon. J. R. Bennett presented the resolutions passed by the Bar Association yesterday concerning the death of Mrs. John Winans. Mr. Bennett spoke as follows:

May it please the Court: Last Sunday evening, at about 9 1/2 o'clock, Mrs. Maggie Winans, the wife of Hon. John Winans, for many years one of the most prominent and able members of the bar, passed from the land of the living to the blessed abode of those who are alive forevermore. To those abodes where there is no more death; neither sorrow, crying nor any more pain; and where all tears are wiped away.

She was an accomplished, charitable and noble woman; and affectionate, pure and devoted wife.

We have all seen her at this term of court, day after day, morning, noon and night, with horse and carriage or cutter, bring her husband to this court room, and return again, to take him to his pleasant home. But a week ago last Tuesday evening she came and returned for the last time.

Though ailing and feeble for many months, her death was so sudden and unlooked for that this community was greatly shocked by it. And while the hearts of her many friends and kindred are sorely touched by this great affliction, they still have the consolation which ever comes from a beautiful and well spent life. The sun sets behind the western hills, but the trail of light he leaves behind him, guides the weary pilgrim to his distant home. So the serene and clear light, left by her gentle and christian life, shall be a guiding star to that eternal home towards which we are rapidly tending. In the language of another, I will say, "She is gone! No longer shrieking from the wintry wind, or lifting her calm forehead to the summer's kiss; no longer gazing with her clear dark eyes into the far off sky; no longer toiling painfully along the path, upward and upward to the everlasting rock on which are based the walls of the Most High; no longer here; she is there; gazing, seeing, knowing, loving, as the blessed only see, know and love. Earth has one angel less, and heaven one more, since her departure. If human love hath power to penetrate the veil (and hath it not?) then there are yet living here a few who have the blessedness of knowing that that angel loves them."

The members of the Bar in view of the great loss which their brother Winans has sustained, passed the following resolutions, which I was appointed to present to the Court, which I now do:

The members of the Bar Association, of this county, having learned of the sudden death of the wife of Hon. John Winans, and deeply sympathizing with him in the sore affliction that has so unexpectedly fallen upon him, assembled at the office of A. A. Jackson, Esq., on the 25th day of December, 1878, at 10 o'clock a. m., with Hon. Harmon S. Conger, the president of the Association in the chair, when the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we hereby tender our kindest and most profound sympathy to our deeply afflicted brother, Hon. John Winans, in the great and irreparable loss that has so suddenly fallen upon him. That as a mark of love and respect for the many virtues and most christian qualities of the deceased, we will attend her funeral in a body.

Resolved, That the president of this association appoint some one to present these resolutions in open court, and move the court to adjourn, so that the members of the bar may attend the funeral.

H. S. CONGER, President.

A. A. JACKSON, Secretary.

Mr. Bennett—I now move that this court adjourn until to-morrow morning at nine o'clock. Carried.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

The funeral services of Mrs. John Winans were held at Trinity Episcopal church this afternoon, the rector, Rev. T. W. MacLean, officiating, and the church being crowded with sympathizing friends. The members of the Bar attended in a body, as indicative of their respect for their memory, and their sympathy for their bereaved brother. Judge Conger, Hon. J. R. Bennett, Mr. Edward Davies, A. A. Jackson, Esq., Mr. H. Bump, and Mr. Edward Harlow served as pall-bearers. Appropriate music was rendered by Mrs. H. A. Smith, Mrs. Church, Miss Hudson, Mr. D. D. Bennett and Mr. Clarence Clark, with Miss Fox at the organ. The services were very impressive and at the close a large number of friends followed the remains to their last resting place.

Something for the New Year.

The world renowned success of Hostetter's Bitters, and their continued popularity for a quarter of a century as a stomachic, is scarcely more wonderful than the welcome that greets the annual appearance of Hostetter's Almanac. This valuable medical treatise is published by Hostetter & Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., under their own immediate supervision, employing 50 hands in that department. Ten cylinder printing presses, 5 folding machines, 5 job presses, &c., are running about eleven months in the year on this work, and the issue of some for 1879 will not be less than ten millions, printed in the English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish languages. Refer to a copy of it for valuable and interesting reading concerning health, and numerous testimonials as to the efficacy of Hostetter's Bitters, amusements, varied information, astronomical calculations and chronological items, &c., which can be depended on for correctness. The Almanac for 1879 can be obtained free of cost, from druggists and general country dealers in all parts of the country.

GUILTY OF MURDER.

The Verdict of the Jury in the Mack Case.

The Appearance of the Prisoner, and Incidents of the Close of the Trial.

Prospects of a Motion for a New Trial.

Thetwelve tried and true ones chosen to decide whether Mrs. Mack murdered her husband or not, were placed under lock and key about 9 o'clock Christmas eve. While others were being cheered by the jingling of bells, or feasting in company with dear ones, they were shut off, apart from the rest of the world, to decide upon the lifelong destiny of a woman and a mother. It was no light matter which thus kept the twelve together, and the Christmas thus solemnly observed by them, will ever linger in the memory of each jurymen. The twelve were well cared for physically, being provided with an abundance of food, suitable for the day and the occasion, and for their comfort, during the two nights they were kept together, coats and buffalo robes were given them. They chatted and discussed, they slept and ate, and about noon they came to an agreement. They sent word to Judge Conger that they were ready to return a verdict, but Christmas being a legal holiday, the Court would not receive it. Under the old statute, it was possible to return a sealed verdict, but under the new no such provision is made, and the twelve jurymen were obliged to maintain their seclusion until this morning. At the opening of the Court at nine o'clock this morning there was a goodly sized audience waiting to learn what was the result of this Christmas day's work. The prisoner, Mrs. Mack, her little girl Etta, her white-haired mother, and her other relatives appeared within the railing, in about the same positions which they have kept during all the trial. Mrs. Mack kept her veil drawn over her face, and seemed wrapt in thought, as with bowed head she sat waiting for the steps of the twelve men who were to decide her fate. As they filed in she raised her eyes, but save a slight uneasiness and nervous fingering of her gloves, there was no indication that she was more than a passing spectator. As the verdict was declared "guilty of murder in the first degree," and the jury was polled, she again dropped her head while the audience, who had sat in the breathless silence of expectation, relished the deathlike stillness by a general rustle. It was over, and the worst had come. She, however, manifested no emotion. There was no hysterical outburst, not even a falling tear. She sat like marble. Her little girl Etta wept, and the aged mother's frame shook as though convulsed. Mrs. Mack soon arose, and taking the arm of Deputy Sheriff Marsh was led out of the room, down the steps, and through the streets to the jail, her mother and little daughter following close behind her, and her other relatives and friends following them like a sad funeral procession. In strange contrast with this sorrowful party was the crowd which came hurrying, tumbling, running down the steps, along the streets, each hastening to be the first to proclaim the news that they had sent "the old dame over the road"—"good enough for her"—"she's fixed for life"—etc., etc. Some were surprised at the verdict, there being a goodly number who had made up their minds that the jury would either disagree or acquit, but amidst all the rambling talk, and rude jests, which passed from lip to lip, there was scarcely a word of sympathy for the woman in black, or an expression adverse to the finding of the jury.

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A HORRIBLE DEATH.

Mrs. Stringer Fatally Burned by a Lamp, and Her Daughter Seriously Injured.

A Sad Christmas Day.

Christmas day has its sad and even terrible events as well as its bright and joyous ones. A horrible and fatal accident occurred early yesterday morning, of which Mrs. Mary Stringer, a widow lady, living on Pearl street, was the victim. She and her daughter Katie had promised to finish some sewing for other parties in time to let them have the garments on Christmas morning. In order to finish the work they played their needles far into the night, and it was about three o'clock in the morning before they prepared for rest. Mrs. Stringer took up the lamp, which was filled with burning fluid, and stepped from the sitting room into an adjacent one, and a few moments later her daughter Katie heard her mother scream. She ran to her and saw her clothes enveloped in flames, while the lamp lay broken upon the floor. Katie took a dress, upon which she had been working, and which she still had in her hand as she ran to her mother, and wrapping this about the flames as best she could, she tried to carry her mother into the sitting room. She took a step or two with her heavy burden, when both mother and daughter fell near the door. The daughter still continued her attempts to smother the flames, and threw her person on that of her mother wrapping her own dress about the burning clothes, and screaming for help. Her aunt, Mrs. Demming, who was asleep upstairs, heard the cries of "fire," and the calls for "help," and grabbing the bedclothes in her arms hurried down and

throwing the quilts and comforters over both mother and daughter as they lay in the doorway, succeeded in smothering the flames. Her presence of mind and timely help saved the life of the daughter, and for a time ward off death from the mother. Mrs. Stringer was found to have been very badly burned especially about the face. From her forehead to below her breast she was terribly burned, also her arms and hands, on one of which the flesh was literally shriveled and crisped, while her lower limbs were also badly burned from her knees to her thighs. Miss Katie in endeavoring to save her mother had her hands badly burned up to her wrists and her face scorched. On her chin was one spot which was almost crisp. Her clothing was somewhat burned, and but for the timely aid of her aunt she must have lost her life. As soon as possible Dr. Loomis was summoned, and with the assistance of Dr. Sutherland attended to the suffering ones. Mrs. Stringer lay under the influence of opiates all day in a most pitiable condition until about half-past eight last evening when death came to her relief.

It is not known, and probably never will be known, how the accident occurred. Standing against the wall of the room is a stick, which the daughter thought her mother perhaps lit the lamp against, and caused it to overturn. Others are of the opinion that she tripped and fell. It is quite evident that the lamp did not explode, as the daughter heard no unusual sound until the mother screamed for help. Mrs. Stringer was a very estimable widow who leaves behind her five children, her daughter Katie, two sons who are in the employ of Hodge & Buchholz, and three younger children. Last fall she completed the building of a new residence, and had just fairly entered into the enjoyment of her new home when this sudden and terrible death struck her. The sympathies of the entire community will be extended to those suddenly bereaved.

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